

General Assembly

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Proposed Bill No. 5518

LCO No. 2253

Referred to Committee on Education

Introduced by:

REP. KNOPP, 137th Dist.

AN ACT CONCERNING PAYMENTS TO SCHOOL DISTRICTS FOR THE COST OF HEATING OIL.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 That the Department of Education be authorized to make one-time
- 2 grants to school districts to cover the unanticipated increase in the cost
- 3 of heating oil or diesel fuel used to heat school buildings that occurred
- 4 between the adoption of municipal budgets prior to July 1, 2000, and
- 5 the actual cost of fuel in each district's supply or delivery contracts
- 6 after that date. It is proposed that the grants are to be appropriated
- 7 from the anticipated surplus in the General Fund for the fiscal year
- 8 ending June 30, 2001.

Statement of Purpose:

To help school districts protect funding for instructional programs by providing funds from the anticipated state surplus to help school districts pay for the unanticipated rise in the cost of heating oil for school buildings.